

## Access to Care Data for Identified Health Issues of Concern for the Lewis and Clark County Community Health Improvement Plan

Topic	Size	Comparison to MT and US	Seriousness	Trends	Groups more affected (Health Disparities)	HP 2020 Target
<b>Access to Care</b>						
<b>Navigating the System</b>						
Navigating the System	Lacked health insurance: 8.7% <sup>1</sup> Had difficulty accessing healthcare in past year: 50.6% Had an ongoing source of care: 69.5%	MT: 21.5 US 15.1  MT: N/A US: 39.9%  US 76.3%	Uninsured are less likely than those with insurance to receive preventive care and services for major health conditions and chronic diseases. Research also has suggested that insurance can decrease likelihood of depression and stress. <sup>2</sup>	Number of uninsured going ↓ significantly with ACA	Unemployed adults and adults in general are more likely to not have insurance. <sup>3</sup>	Lacked health insurance: 0%  Accessing: N/A Ongoing source of care: N/A
<b>Transportation</b>						
Lack of public transportation	Currently ride public transportation to work: 0.6%	MT: 0.8% US: 5.1%				5.5%
Transportation hindered doctor's visit	4.6%	US: 9.4%				N/A
<b>Affordable Healthcare</b>						
Couldn't Afford to see doctor in past year	12.8% (statistically better than US)	MT 13.8 US: 18.2	(see navigating the system above)			N/A
Lack of affordable dental care	Lacked dental insurance: 30.7% Visited dentist in last year: 76.0% (better than MT and US)	Insurance: US: 34.4% Visited dentist: MT: 61% US: 65.9%	Dental decay is the most common chronic illness in childhood. <sup>4</sup>			Visited dentist 49%
<b>Primary Care Providers</b>						
ER over use 2+ visits to the ER in	9.3%	US: 8.9%				N/A

<sup>1</sup> CHA Page 19

<sup>2</sup> <http://kff.org/uninsured/fact-sheet/key-facts-about-the-uninsured-population/>

<sup>3</sup> CHA Page 20

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.mychildrensteeth.org/assets/2/7/ECCstats.pdf>

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past year						
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Primary care access	Had difficulty getting a Doctor's appointment: 26.4% (higher than US) Had difficulty finding a physician in last year (17.9%) (higher than US)	US appointment: 17.0% US finding Dr: 11.0%				N/A
<b>Mental Health and Substance Use Treatment Access</b>						
Lack of providers	Lewis and Clark County is a HRSA Health Professional Shortage Area for mental health. <sup>5</sup>					
Currently receiving mental health treatment	12.3% of Montana adults report that they are now taking medicine or receiving treatment from a doctor or other health professional for any type of mental health condition or emotional problem <sup>6</sup>				Low income, women and those with disabilities in Montana are more likely to report current mental health treatment. <sup>7</sup>	
<b>Affordable Medications</b>						
Couldn't afford a prescription in past year	11.2%	US 15.8%				N/A
<b>Elder Care</b>						
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<b>Child Care</b>						

<sup>5</sup> <http://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/primarycare/-Shortage-Area-Designations>

<sup>6</sup> BRFSS 2012

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